UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. S.A. and MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. (USA) INC.,

1:07-cv-11068-MGC

Plaintiff(s),

NOTICE OF MOTION

-against-

LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

Defendant(s).

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiffs, MEDITERREAN SHIPPING COMPANY S.A. and MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. (USA) INC., by their attorneys, MAHONEY & KEANE LLP, will move this Court before the Honorable Miriam G. Cedarbaum, at the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, 500 Pearl Street, New York, NY, on March 6, 2008, at 9:30 AM, or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard for an order, pursuant to Rule 55 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, entering a default judgment in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendant for failing to appear and otherwise defend this action, and for such other and further relief as this Honorable Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: New York, NY

February <u>11</u>, 2008

MAHONEY & KEANE, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff(s)

MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. S.A. and MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. (USA)

INC.

By:

Jorge A. Rodriguez (JR 2162) 111 Broadway, Tenth Floor New York, New York 10006 Tel (212) 385-1422 Fax (212) 385-1605 Our File No. 12/3506/B/07/12

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Plaintiff(s),

-against-

AFFIDAVIT FOR
JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT

LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

Defendant(s).

STATE OF NEW YORK)	
)	SS.
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)	

JORGE A. RODRIGUEZ, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I am a member of the Bar of this Court and am associated with the firm of MAHONEY & KEANE, LLP, attorneys for plaintiff in the above-entitled action and I am familiar with all the facts and circumstances in this action.
- 2. I make this affidavit pursuant to Rule 55.1 and 55.2(a) of the Civil Rules for the Southern District of New York, in support of plaintiff's application for the entry of a default judgment against defendant LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC.
 - 3. Herewith attached are true copies of the following:
 - (1). Summons and Complaint;
 - (2). Affidavit of Service;
 - (3). Statement of damages;
 - (4). Clerk's certificate; and
 - (5). Proposed order

- 4. This is an action to recover \$12,720.00 owed by defendants to plaintiff for unpaid detention charges. (Ex. 1).
- 5. Jurisdiction of the subject matter is based on 28 USC § 1333 and admiralty/maritime jurisdiction. (Id.).
- 6. This action was commenced on or about December 6, 2007 by the filing of the summons and complaint. (Id.). A copy of the summons and complaint was served on defendants on December 18, 2007 by personal service on "Jane Doe", authorized by appointment or law to receive service of process, at the defendant's place of business. Proof of service by the Special Process Server was filed. (Ex. 2). The defendants have not answered the complaint and the time for the defendants to answer the complaint has expired.
- 7. This action seeks judgment for the liquidated amount of \$12,720.00, plus costs, fees and disbursements, for a total of \$13,149.95, as shown in the annexed statement of damages, which is justly due and owing, and no part of which has been paid. (Ex. 1, 3).
 - 8. The defendant is not an infant or incompetent.
- 9. No part of the judgment sought has been paid by defendant, although duly demanded.
- 10. The disbursements sought to be taxed have been made in this action or will necessarily be made herein.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff requests the entry of Default and the entry of the annexed Judgment against defendant.

Dated: New York, New York

February <u>11</u>, 2008

By: Jorge A. Rodriguez (JR 2162)

Sworn to before me this

day of February, 2008

Notary Public

GARTH S. WOLFSON
NOTARY PUBLIC
State of New York No. 02W05076941
Qualified in New York County
Term Expires 4/28/2011



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Plaintiff(s),

-against-

LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

Defendant(s).

TO: (name and address of defendants)

LYNCH INTERNATIONAL INC. 34-37 65th Street Woodside, NY 11377

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

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YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve on PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY (name and address)

MAHONEY & KEANE, LLP 111 Broadway, 10th Floor New York, NY 10003 (212) 385-1422

an answer to the complaint which is served on you with this summons, within twenty (20) days after service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Any answer that you serve on the parties to this action must be filed with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable period of time after service. DEC 0 6 2007

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

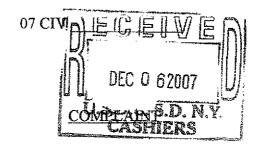
MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. S.A. and MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. (USA) INC.,

Plaintiff(s),

-against-

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff(s), MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. S.A. and MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. (USA) INC., (collectively "MSC"), by their attorneys, MAHONEY & KEANE, LLP, as and for a Complaint against Defendant(s), LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC., ("LYNCH"), allege, upon information and belief, as follows:

- 1. This is a case of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction within the meaning of Rule 9(h) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Jurisdiction is based upon 28 U.S.C. § 1333, as well as the Court's pendent, supplementary and ancillary jurisdiction.
- 2. Plaintiff MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. S.A. is a legal entity duly organized and existing pursuant to the laws of a foreign country.
- 3. Plaintiff MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPNG CO. (USA) INC. is a legal entity duly organized and existing pursuant to the laws of the United States.
- 4. Defendant LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC. is a business entity organized and existing pursuant to the laws of the United States with offices and a place of business located at 34-37 65th Street, Woodside, NY 11377.

- 5. The United States District Court for the Southern District of New York is the proper venue for this action, as Plaintiff MSC resides and/or maintains a principal place of business in the Southern District of New York.
- 6. Plaintiffs sue on their own behalf and as agents and trustees on behalf of any other party who may now have or hereinafter acquire an interest in this action.

AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST DEFENDANT LYNCH

- 7. Plaintiff repeats and reiterates each and every allegation contained in paragraphs "1" through "6" as if specifically set forth herein at length.
- 8. At all times relevant herein, Defendant LYNCH entered into agreements, service contracts, contracts of affreightment, charter agreements and/or bills of lading, with Plaintiff for the carriage, storage, handling, care and/or maintenance of Defendant's cargoes by Plaintiff in consideration for payments by Defendant to Plaintiff for said services.
- Plaintiff duly performed all duties and obligations required to be performed by
 Plaintiff in connection with Defendant's goods.
- Defendant wrongfully, willfully, negligently and/or fraudulently breached the terms of the subject agreement(s) by, *inter alia*, failing to pay freight, dead freight, demurrage, detention, port fees, tariffs and other associated costs.
- 11. As a result of Defendant's breach of the subject agreements and Plaintiff has incurred, and will continue to incur, costs and expenses for which Defendant is liable under the terms of the agreements and at law.
- 12. Plaintiff has placed Defendant on notice of its claim that Defendant has breached the subject agreements and violated Plaintiff's rights under the law.
 - 13. Despite Plaintiff's repeated demands, Defendant has failed to pay the Plaintiff's

damages due and owing under the agreements and at law.

By reason of the foregoing, Plaintiff has sustained damages in the amount of\$12,720.00, together with interest, costs, fees, and expenses.

AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST DEFENDANT LYNCH

- 15. Plaintiff repeats and reiterates each and every allegation contained in paragraphs "1" through "14" as if specifically set forth herein at length.
 - 16. Defendant has an account stated with the Plaintiff.
- 17. By reason of the foregoing, Plaintiff has sustained damages in the amount of \$12,720.00, together with interest, costs, fees, and expenses.

AS AND FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST DEFENDANT LYNCH

- 18. Plaintiff repeats and reiterates each and every allegation contained in paragraphs "1" through "17" as if specifically set forth herein at length.
 - 19. Plaintiff is due from Defendant the quantum meruit of Plaintiff's services.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays:

- (A). that judgment be entered in favor of Plaintiff for an amount exceeding twelve thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars \$12,720.00, plus interest, fees, including attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements;
 - (B). that Court process be issued against the Defendant; and
- (C). that Plaintiff be granted such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York

December <u>5</u>, 2007

MAHONEY & KEANE, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiffs

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STATEMENT OF DAMAGES

Principal amount	\$12,720.00
Costs and Disbursements:	
Clerk's filing fee.	\$350.00
Process server fee	\$79.95
Total	\$13,149.95

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Plaintiff(s),

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

-against-

LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

Defendant(s).

I, J. MICHAEL MCMAHON, Clerk of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, do hereby certify that this action commenced on December 6, 2007 with the filing of a summons and complaint, a copy of the summons and complaint was served on defendant by personally serving "Jane Doe", authorized by appointment or law to receive service of process, at defendant's principal place of business, and proof of such service thereof was filed on January 3, 2008.

I further certify that the docket entries indicate that the defendant has not filed an answer or otherwise moved with respect to the complaint herein. The default of the defendant is hereby noted.

Dated: New York, New York

February <u>//</u>, 2008

J. MICHAEL MCMAHON

Clerk of the Court

Deputy Clerk

By:

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DEFAULT JUDGMENT

This action having been commenced on December 6, 2007 by the filing of the Summons and Complaint, and a copy of the Summons and Complaint having been personally served on the defendant, LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC. ("LYNCH") on December 18, 2007, by serving said documents on "Jane Doe", authorized by appointment or law to receive service of process, at defendant's principal place of business, and a proof of service having been filed on January 3, 2008 and the defendant not having answered the Complaint, and the time for answering the Complaint having expired, it is

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED: That the plaintiffs have a judgment against defendant in the liquidated amount of \$12,720.00, plus costs and disbursements of this action in the amount of \$429.95, amounting in all to \$13,149.95.

Dated: New York, New York

March _____, 2008

U.S.D.J.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR DEFAULT

MAHONEY & KEANE

111 BROADWAY 10th FLOOR NEW YORK, N.Y. 10006 (212) 385-1422

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

This Memorandum of Law is submitted on behalf of Plaintiffs MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. S.A. and MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. (USA) INC. ("MSC"), in support of their Motion for Default against Defendant LYNCH INTERNATIONAL, INC. ("LYNCH") for its failure to answer or otherwise defend Plaintiffs' claims, and granting Plaintiffs judgment for \$13,149.95.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

For a complete version of the relevant facts please refer to Plaintiffs' Affidavit of Default.

ARGUMENT

THIS HONORABLE COURT MUST GRANT PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT BECAUSE DEFENDANT HAS FAILED TO ANSWER OR OTHERWISE RESPOND TO PLAINTIFFS' CLAIMS.

Rule 12(a)(1)(A) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provide that "a defendant shall serve an answer within 20 days after being served with the summons and complaint." Fed. R. Civ. P. §12(a)(1)(A) (2007). Upon failure of a defendant to serve the answer, the court may enter a default judgment against the defendant and in favor of the plaintiff. Fed R. Civ. P. §55.

In the present matter, Plaintiff commenced an action against Defendant, seeking payment for unpaid detention charges. (Aff. of Default at ¶ 4). On December 18, 2007, service of process was effected on Defendant by serving a copy of the summons and complaint on "Jane Doe", authorized by appointment or law to receive service of process, at Defendant's principal place of business. (Id. at ¶ 7). Defendant's time to answer the complaint has expired. As of today, no answer has been forthcoming from Defendant.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. S.A. and MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING CO. (USA) INC. respectfully request

- (1) That this Honorable Court issue an Order granting Plaintiff's Motion for Default;
- (2) That the Court enter a judgment in favor of Plaintiff for \$13,149.95, constituting the amount demanded, costs and disbursements for this action; and
 - (2) For any other and further relief as this Court may deem proper.

Dated: New York, NY

February // , 2008

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